

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

Date: December 21, 2004

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PRESENT: José M. Sanchez, Chairman; Ronald A. Christensen, Vice-Chairman; Cruz Salas, Member; John F. Nelson, County Manager/Clerk; and, Bryan Chambers, 2nd Chief Deputy County Attorney.

The Gila County Board of Supervisors met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. this date. Vice-Chairman Christensen and Supervisor Salas together led the Pledge of Allegiance and Dixie Mundy delivered the Invocation.

At this time each Board member presented a brief summary of current events as allowed by A.R.S. §38-431.02(K). No action was taken on any items that were presented.

A public hearing was held to approve Planning and Zoning Department Case #Z-04-05, a proposal to revert Gila County tax parcel #304-36-003L, and certain United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service properties from R-1 (Residence One District) and C-2 (Commercial Two District) with PAD (Planned Area Development) to GR (General Rural) and Unzoned, its former zoning classification. The subject property is located 3 miles south of Rye, Arizona. Terry Smith, Community Development Division Deputy Director/Planning and Zoning Manager, stated: *"This is not a published public hearing; however, it is a public hearing."* He referred to A.R.S. §11-832 which states: *"The board may approve a change of zone conditioned on a schedule for*

development of the specific use or uses for which rezoning is requested. If at the expiration of this period the property has not been improved for the use for which it was conditionally approved, the board after notification by registered mail to the owner and applicant who requested the zoning shall schedule a public hearing to grant an extension, determine compliance with the schedule for development or cause the property to revert to its former classification.” The property is known as the Bar-T-Bar Ranch with Aurora, LLC being the owner, and Mazatzal, LLC, as the manager. Mr. Smith introduced Mr. Jack Cowan, who owns the property with his wife, Sherry Lynn Caris Cowan. Chairman Sanchez asked Mr. Smith if a letter was mailed out on December 1, 2004, to Aurora, LLC to advise of the notice to revert. Mr. Smith replied in the affirmative and stated that a letter was also sent to the United States Forest Service. Vice-Chairman Christensen questioned whether this is a request for action to revert this property to its original zoning and if the owner’s intention to develop the property will come at a different time or through another process. Mr. Smith replied in the affirmative. Mr. Smith stated that the Board was provided a copy of a letter submitted by the current owners, Sherry Lynn Caris Cowan and Catherine Ann Caris-Hart. Vice-Chairman Christensen asked for the acreage of this parcel. Mr. Smith stated it is approximately 50 acres. Mr. Cowan stated the parcel is 51 acres in size. He advised that the Bar-T-Bar Ranch suffered serious damage from forest fires earlier this summer. He stated that hopefully within three years he and his wife will have recovered enough from the Willow Fire to then approach the Board with a new plan, but at this time they are not in a position to do anything with the property so they recommend the County go ahead and revert the parcel to its previous zoning. Chairman Sanchez asked Mr. Smith for the Planning and Zoning Commission’s decision on this zoning case. Mr. Smith stated that there is no provision for this zoning case to go to the Commission Board, and in polling other counties, none of the other counties use their Commission Boards for reversions. At this time, Chairman Sanchez asked for public comment; none was offered. Chairman

Sanchez closed the public hearing and asked for a motion. Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen, the Board unanimously approved Planning and Zoning Department Case #Z-04-05 which reverts tax parcel #304-46-003L and certain USDA Forest Service properties from R-1 and C-2 with PAD to GR and Unzoned.

A public hearing was scheduled for 10:40 a.m. to address the adoption of Resolution #04-12-06 authorizing the denial of Planning and Zoning Department Case #Z-04-04, a request to rezone tax parcel #201-06-008J from GU (General Unclassified) to TR-TD (Transitional Residential and Trailer District). Because the time was only 10:31 a.m., Chairman Sanchez stated that the public hearing could not be held until 10:40 a.m., as advertised; however, he did allow some brief preliminary discussion. Terry Smith read the staff report into the record. He stated that Tammy McLellan, owner of the property, has requested to continue boat and RV (recreational vehicle) storage on the subject property, plus develop seventeen spaces for an RV park. Chairman Sanchez stated that Tammy McLellan is the property owner and that Paul and Shirley Moyer are the applicants who are proposing to buy the property. He questioned whether adding 17 RV spaces would require a zoning change. Mr. Smith replied that a zoning change would be required in order to add the 17 RV spaces. He stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission is recommending the Board of Supervisors' denial of this rezoning request because adding recreational vehicles with its occupants could have a negative impact on a neighboring residential area, and the road into the RV park is dirt and would possibly not be maintained. Supervisor Salas stated he took a ride out to the property, but wasn't sure of the exact location. He asked Mr. Smith to view a map of the area. Marian Sheppard, Chief Deputy Clerk, provided the Board with a map of the subject property. Chairman Sanchez called for a brief recess at 10:37 a.m. Chairman Sanchez reconvened the meeting at 10:40 a.m. and proceeded with the public hearing on the subject rezoning case. He called for public comment at this time. Marie Goodhauser from Tonto Basin, Arizona,

opposed this rezoning request due to the noise and the use of all-terrain vehicles. She also stated that many people purchased their homes in that area for the peace and quiet. Vice-Chairman Christensen asked Ms. Goodhauser the location of her property in relation to the subject property. Ms. Goodhauser advised that she “must live” within 300 feet of the property as she had received an official notice of this rezoning request. Chairman Sanchez asked for further public comment; none was offered. Chairman Sanchez closed the public hearing at this time and asked for a motion. Upon motion by Supervisor Salas, seconded by Vice-Chairman Christensen, the Board unanimously adopted Resolution #04-12-06 authorizing the denial of Planning and Zoning Department Case #Z-04-04. **(A copy of the Staff Report and the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors’ Office.)**

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Christensen, seconded by Supervisor Salas, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda, items A through G, as follows:

- A. Approved a Medical Care Agreement between Gila County and Maricopa County dba Maricopa Integrated Health System for a period commencing on August 1, 2004, and continuing for an indefinite period for the purpose of providing medical care to inmates that exceeds the level of care that can be obtained locally.
- B. Adopted Resolution #04-12-07 authorizing the Sheriff’s Department to submit a FY 2005 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application (Project No. 780405) in the amount of \$107,064 to purchase two deep water patrol boats for public safety purposes at Roosevelt Lake. **(A copy of the Resolution is permanently on file in the Board of Supervisors’ Office.)**
- C. Authorized the Chairman’s signature on an application for Vicky Quesada to serve as an alternate member to the CAP Advisory Board and attend meetings with authority to vote on board items when Annie Hinojos of Hayden, Arizona, is unable to attend.

- D. Approved the renewal of a Special-Use Permit authorizing Gila County or its contractor to operate the Roosevelt and Tonto Basin Transfer Stations on the Tonto Basin Ranger District.
- E. Approved the following submitted monthly departmental activity reports: Payson Regional Justice Court for October 2004 and November 2004; Globe Regional Justice Court for November 2004; Gila County Recorder for November 2004 (Revised); and, Clerk of the Superior Court for November 2004.
- F. Approved finance reports/demands/transfers for the week of December 20, 2004. (separate handout)

December 20, 2004:

\$627,798.97 was disbursed for County expenses by voucher numbers X143115 through X143162, X361516 through X361646, X361648 through X361663, and X361666 through X361800. The hand-issued warrants listing is as follows: voucher no. X143163 in the amount of \$12,586.71, voucher no. X143164 in the amount of \$3,000.00, voucher no. X143165 in the amount of \$20,000.00, and voucher no. X143166 in the amount of \$10,000.00.

- G. Approved personnel reports/actions for the week of December 20, 2004.

December 20, 2004:

Departure from County Service:

1. Supervisor – District III – Board of Supervisors – 12-31-04 – General Fund - Cruz Salas – Hire 01-01-93 – Retirement
2. Supervisor – District I – Board of Supervisors – 12-31-04 – General Fund Ron Christensen – Hire 01-01-89 – Retirement
3. School Superintendent – School Superintendent – 12-31-04 – General Fund - Armida Bittner – Hire 03-01-88 – Retirement
4. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 12-17-04 – Constituent Services II Fund - David Hernandez – temporary position

5. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 12-17-04 – Constituent Services II Fund - John Sanchez – temporary position
6. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 12-17-04 – Constituent Services II Fund - Roy Reyes – temporary position
7. Human Services Field Rep. II – Public Fiduciary – 12-13-04 – General Fund - Eva Perez – Hire 07-29-91 – Resigned for personal reasons

Hire to County Service:

8. Supervisor – District III – 01-01-05 – General Fund - Shirley Dawson
9. Supervisor – District I – 01-01-05 – General Fund - Tommie Martin
10. School Superintendent – School Superintendent – 01-01-05 – General Fund - Linda O'Dell
11. Clerk II – Recorder – 12-13-04 – General Fund - John Dipinto – temporary to regular status
12. Senior Accounting Clerk – Finance – 12-14-04 – General Fund – Viola Sue Anderson
13. Executive Assistant – Superior Court – 12-20-04 – General Fund - Coleen Stevens

Temporary Hire to County Service:

14. Laborer – Constituent Services II – 12-20-04 – Constituent Services II Fund - Vernon Davis
15. Risk/Emergency disasters – Fairgrounds – 01-03-05 – General Fund - Carmen Corso

Departmental Transfer:

16. Road Maintenance Worker II – Consolidated Roads to Fairgrounds Caretaker – Fairgrounds – 12-13-04 – Road Fund to Fairgrounds Fund – Randy Burkhalter
17. Program Coordinator – Tobacco Free Environments – 12-27-04 – Grant Fund - Christine Rocha – Transfer from School Superintendent to Office of Health

18. Health Educator – Tobacco Free Environments – 12-27-04 – Grant Fund
Dean Pederson, Tracy Miller, John Yanez – Transfer from School
Superintendent to Office of Health

End Probationary Period:

19. Services Administrator – Community Development – 12-27-04 – General
Fund - Pam Fisher
20. Engineering Tech. II – Engineer – 12-27-04 – Engineering Fund -
Michele Vuksanovich
21. REPAC Training Specialist III – Community Services – 12-27-04 – Grant
Fund - Keith O’Camb
22. REPAC MIS Specialist – Community Services – 12-27-04 – Grant Fund
Patricia Chavez

Position Review:

23. Statutory Increase – 01-01-05 – General Fund – Assessor – Dale Hom,
Treasurer – Priscilla Knuckey-Ralls, Recorder – Linda Haught Ortega,
Supervisor District II – Jose Sanchez, Constable – Sam Brewer, County
Attorney – Daisy Flores, Sheriff – John Armer
24. Chief Deputy Increase to 90% of Elected Official’s Salary – 12-27-04 –
General Fund – Assessor – Hazel Dillon, Treasurer – Debora Savage,
Recorder – Nancy Ellsworth
25. Statutory Salary Adjustment – Globe Constable – 12-27-04 – General
Fund - Jesse Bolinger
26. Reduction in hours – Bldg. Inspector/Plan Reviewer – Community
Development – 12-20-04 – General Fund – James Huber
27. Correct termination date – Payson Constable – 11-16-04 – General Fund
Gail Palmateer
28. Anniversary date increase – 11-29-04 – Shaun Stevenson, Janice Cook,
Ann Garlinghouse, Daniel Van Buskirk, Bradley Bennett, Raymond
Luckie, John Griffin, Garland Moran

29. Anniversary date increase – 12-13-04 – Valrie Bejarano, Barbara Guthrey, Peggy Cox, Karen Yanez, Darde DeRoulhac, Sherry Grice, William Seeley, Samson Arney, Kyle Sawyer
30. Anniversary date increase – 12-27-04 – Darryl Griffin, Irene Mata, Eloise Price, Joann Minchew, Michael Sermenio
31. Statutory Adjustment – Judge – Superior Court Division One – 12-27-04 – General Fund – Peter Cahill
32. Statutory Adjustment – Judge – Superior Court Division Two – 12-27-04 – General Fund – Robert Duber
33. Statutory Adjustment – Judge Protempore – 12-27-04 – General Fund Peter De Ninno

Request Permission to Post:

34. Human Services Field Representative II – Public Fiduciary – position vacated by Eva Perez
35. Assistant to Office Manager – County Attorney (Globe) – New position

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS

Hire to County Service:

36. Detention Officer – Globe S.O. – 12-29-04 – General Fund - Tamar Morrow
37. Dispatcher II – Globe S.O. – 12-20-04 – General Fund - Stephanie Marquez

Position Review:

38. Anniversary date increase – 11-29-04 – Thomas Medina, Belinda Licano, William Newman, Art Salcido, William Lee, Terry Neff, Darrell Stubbs, Daniel Voelker
39. Anniversary date increase – 12-13-04 – Chadwick Peters
40. Anniversary date increase – 12-27-04 – Dawn Thorp

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

José M. Sanchez, Chairman

ATTEST:

John F. Nelson, County Manager/Clerk